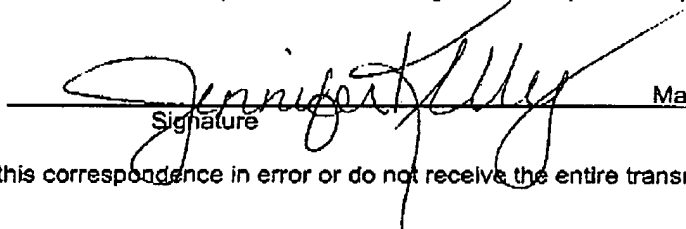


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In response to the Office Action of December 20, 2005, please reconsider the above-referenced patent application in view of the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

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